

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated January 10, 2005, claims 21-31 are pending and rejected. Applicants appreciate withdrawal of previous rejections.

In response to the double patenting rejection, a terminal disclaimer is filed herewith, thereby obviating the rejection.

Applicants also submit a new Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR 1.67(a).

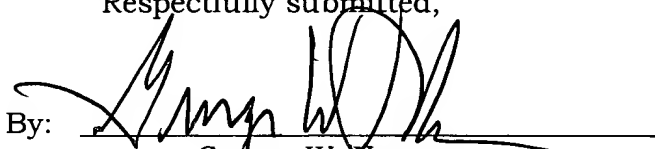
In view of the discussion above, it is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is requested.

If for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

Respectfully submitted,

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